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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Michigan Worker Deaths of 2018

The 16th, 17th and 18th reported Michigan worker deaths of 2018 occurred on July 16, July 30 and August 2, respectively. The information below shares **preliminary details** about the most recent fatalities reported to the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOsha) which is believed to be covered by the MIOsh Act. The description reflects information provided to MIOsha at the initial report of the incident and is not the result of the official MIOsha investigation.

*Preliminary summary of incident #16: On July 16th, at approximately 8:00 a.m., a 44-year-old machine adjuster was adding inks to a printing machine. He was found unresponsive and slumped over on top of an electrical and pneumatic pump area of the printing machine. He had apparent electrical burns on his left and right arms, chest and abdomen.*

*Preliminary summary of incident #17: On July 30th, at approximately 8:06 p.m., a 61-year-old assembly worker was walking from the work area to the break room when a pressurized 6-inch steel water pipe that was 15 feet up, fell and struck her in the head.*

*Preliminary summary of incident #18: On July 31st, at approximately 2:30 p.m., a 44-year-old technician was struck by a vehicle on M-25 while locating utilities. He passed away on August 2nd, from the injuries sustained.*

There were 39 MIOsha-related deaths in 2017. 2009 saw the lowest number with 24. Every life is precious. Our mutual goal must be that every employee goes home at the end of their shift every day!

If you need help or assistance in ensuring your workplace is safe, MIOsha is here with resources to help. The Consultation Education and Training (CET) Division provides workplace safety and health training and consultations to employers and employees throughout Michigan, **free of charge**. Contact CET today at 800-866-4674 or submit a request [online](#).

### Safe + Sound Week - August 13-19, 2018

[Safe + Sound Week](#) is a nationwide event to raise awareness and understanding of the value of safety and health programs that include management leadership, worker participation, and a

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systematic approach to finding and fixing hazards in workplaces.

Safe workplaces are sound businesses. Successful safety and health programs can proactively identify and manage workplace hazards before they cause injury or illness, improving sustainability and the bottom line. Participating in Safe + Sound Week can help get your program started or energize an existing one.

Organizations of any size or in any industry looking for an opportunity to show their commitment to safety to workers, customers, the public, or supply chain partners should participate.

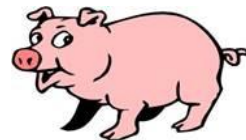
Participating in Safe + Sound Week is easy. To get started, select the activities you would like to do at your workplace. You can host an event just for your workers or host a public event to engage your community. Examples of potential activities and tools to help you plan and promote your events are available. After you've completed your events, you can download a certificate and web badge to recognize your organization and your workers. Visit [OSHA's webpage](#) for more information.



### Don't Pet the Piggy

The agricultural fair season in Michigan stretches from June through September (<https://mafe.info/events/>). The Indiana Department of Health recently reported a human illness due to a swine variant influenza A virus in a person reporting indirect exposure to pigs while attending an agricultural fair. In recent years, cases of influenza A in swine at agricultural fairs, and ill people who have had contact with swine, have been detected with increasing frequency during the summer months, including in Michigan. When swine origin viruses infect people, they are called "variant viruses" and are denoted with a "v" behind the virus subtype. Recent subtypes include H3N2v, H1N1v and H1N2v.

To help prepare Michigan local health departments to respond quickly to suspected influenza outbreaks associated with a local agricultural exhibit, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Epidemiology and Population Health, has developed a variety of resources (guidance, templates, etc), which can be accessed at the Communicable Disease Information and Resources webpage ([www.michigan.gov/cdinfo](http://www.michigan.gov/cdinfo) under Influenza).



### Standard Updates

The following standards were updated between February 2 and April 18, 2018: General Industry Safety Standards: Part 1 – General Provisions; Part 2 – Walking-Working Surfaces; Part 3 – Fixed Ladders; Part 4 – Portable Ladders; Part 5 – Powered Platforms for Building Maintenance; Part 18 – Overhead and Gantry Cranes; Part 21 – Powered Industrial Trucks; Part 25 – Manlifts; Part 27 – Woodworking Machinery; Part 33 – Personal Protective Equipment; Part 50 – Telecommunications; Part 52 – Sawmills; Part 58 – Aerial Work Platforms; Part 63 – Pulp, Paper, and Paperboard Mills; Part 86 – Electric Power Generations, Transmission, and Distribution; and Part 94 – Textiles. Occupational Health Standard Part 340 – Beryllium.

To view the strike bold versions as well as the updated standards, please visit the MIOsha Standards [webpage](#).



## Recall on Aluminum Ladders

Werner recalls aluminum ladders due to fall hazard.

<https://www.wernerco.com/us/en/news-events/recalls>

<https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/werner-recalls-aluminum-ladders-due-to-fall-hazard>

## AGENCY INSTRUCTION ISSUED

**July 19, 2018** – [MIOSHA Training Institute \(MTI\) Scholarship Procedures](#)

## VARIANCES

Variances from MIOSHA standards must be made available to the public in accordance with Part 12, Variances (R408.22201 to 408.22251). MIOSHA variances are published on the MIOSHA [website](#).

## QUICK LINKS

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